

ABSTRACT

A developing device includes a toner supplying roller,
a developing roller for transferring the one-component toner
to a developing position by performing a developing rotation
5 in an image forming operation and moving away from the
developing position, a sealing member arranged in a vicinity
of the developing roller, and a toner layer regulating roller
arranged in contact with the developing roller. The toner
layer regulating roller locks a rotating operation in the
10 image forming operation, regulates the one-component toner
which adheres on a surface of the developing roller into a
thin layer, and freely follows the developing roller in a
non-image forming operation.

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